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Tim[vendlinski.tim@epa.gov] From: DIAMOND, JANE

**Sent:** Tue 9/3/2013 7:33:53 PM

Subject: RE: materials as requested [comparable flow diversions + RHA 408 permits + law review

article]

Hi Felicia. Are you thinking we'd discuss these materials Tim sent? If so, or if you have something else in mind for the conversation, we could meet you first thing in the morning in the East Bay, so Tim can preserve most of his non-work day. We could meet 8i00-9:00 at Rudy's Can't Fail Café or anywhere else easy for us to get to by transit or bike. I can re-adjust my schedule to accommodate this if you like, just let us know. Jane

From: Marcus, Felicia@Waterboards [mailto:Felicia.Marcus@waterboards.ca.gov]

Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 6:40 PM

To: Vendlinski, Tim Cc: DIAMOND, JANE

Subject: Re: materials as requested [comparable flow diversions + RHA 408 permits + law review article]

Cool and thanks. So good to see you. Want to follow up next Friday?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 29, 2013, at 6:12 PM, "Vendlinski, Tim" < vendlinski.tim@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Felicia:

Thanks for the opportunity to visit with you and Jane. I've attached two documents referenced during our conversation, and a third document that I think you will find interesting.

We addressed the question of comparable flow diversions in our recent comment letter on the Phase 1 SED (03-28-2013).

Please see section #5 on page 6 where we discuss data from other states and other countries.

The hyperlink for footnote #29 in our letter isn't functioning, but you can access the Richter et al. report at the pdf below.

http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/rra.1511/pdf. The topic was also addressed by CABA at the Science of Natural Flows seminar (Les Grober was there representing

SWRCB). Other estuaries where diversions exceed those of the Bay Delta include the Colorado River Delta where virtually all the freshwater was diverted.

Regarding Section 408 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, I've also attached the white paper prepared by the Sacramento Corps District on pertaining to the regulation of federal levees.

Finally, I've attached a proof version of a forthcoming law review article that profiles EPA's role in the Bay Delta process.

It will be published soon in the George Washington University/Environmental Law Institute Journal of Energy and Environmental Law.

Best Regards, Tim

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From: Marcus, Felicia@Waterboards [mailto:Felicia.Marcus@waterboards.ca.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 27, 2013 1:25 PM **To:** Vendlinski, Tim; DIAMOND, JANE

Subject: looking forward to seeing you Thursday

Can't get into the BDCP website today and can't get to my files at home. Can one of you send EPA's BDCP comments to me? I'm digging in on it for a meeting tomorrow am.

Thanks!

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<EPA Comments on SWRCB WQCP Phase I SED 3-28-2013.pdf>

<BDCP\_RHA 408 permitting\_Sacto Corps District white paper\_03 12 13.docx>

<Doremus & Tarlock\_Law Review Article on EPA's Role in Bay Delta 082013.pdf>